ENGLAND *Uniting to Her Soveraign;*

OR,

The Advancing of the

KING:

A Solemne

LEAGUE and COVENANT:

FOR

Reformation and Defence of Religion, The Honour and Happineſs of the KING, and the Peace and Safety of the three Kingdomes of ENGLAND, SCOTLAND and IRELAND.

ORdered, By the Parliament, That this Solemne League and Covenant be Printed and Publiſhed, and forthwith read in every Church, and alſo once every Year, according to former order of Parliaments.

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A Solemne League and Covenant.

WE E *Noblemen, Barons, Knights, Gentlemen, Citizens, Burgesses, Ministers of the Gospell, and Commons of all sorts in the Kingdomes of* England, Scotland, *and* Ireland, *by the providence of God living under one* King, *and being of one reformed Religion, having before our eyes the glory of God, and the advancement of the Kingdome of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, the Honour and Happinesse of the Kings Majesty, and his posterity, and the true publick liberty, safety and peace of the Kingdoms, wherein every ones private condition is includ ded, and calling to mind the treacherous and bloody plots, conspiracies attempts, and practices of the enemies of God, against the true Religion and Professors thereof in all places, especially in these three Kingdomes ever since the Reformation of Religion, and how much their rage, power, and presumption are of late, and at this teme increased and exercised; whereof the deplorable estate of the Church and King dome of* Ireland, *the distressed estate of the Church and Kingdome of* England, *and the dangerous estate of the Church and Kingdome of* Scotland, *are present and publicke Testimonies: We have now at last (after other means of supplication, remonstrance, protestations, and sufferings.) for the preservation of our selves and our Religion from utter ruine and destruction according to the commendable practice of these Kingdoms in former times and the example of Gods people in other Nations, after mature deliberation, resolved and determined to enter into a mutuall and solemne League and Covenant, wherein we all subscribe, and each one of us for himselfe, with our hands lifted up to the most High God, do swear:*

I. THat we shall sincerely, really and constantly, through the grace of God, endeavour in our severall places and callings the preservation of the Reformed Religion in the Church of *Scotland*, in doctrine, worship, discipline and Government, against our common enemies, the Reformation of Religion in the Kingdomes of *England* and *Ireland*, in doctrine, worship, discipline and

government, according to the word of God, and the example of the beſt reformed Churches; and ſhall endeavour to bring the Churches of God in the three Kingdoms, to the neareſt conjunction and uniformity in Religion, Confeſſion of Faith, Form of Church-government, directory for Worſhip and Catechizing; that we and our poſterity after us may as brethren live in faith and love, and the Lord may delight to dwell in the midſt of us.

II. That we ſhall in like manner, without reſpect of perſons, endeavour the extirpation of Popery, Prelacy, (that is Church-government by Arch-Biſhops, Biſhops, their Chancellours and Commiſſaries, Deanes, Deanes and Chapters, Archdeacons, and all other Eccleſiaſtical Officers depending on that Hierarchy) Superſtition, Hereſie, Schiſme, Profanenes, and whatſoever ſhall be found to be contrary to ſound Doctrine, and the power of Godlineſs; leſt we partake in other mens ſins, and thereby be in danger to receive of their plagues, and that the Lord may be one, and his Name one in the three Kingdoms.

III. We ſhall with the ſame ſincerity, reality and conſtancy, in our ſeveral Vocations, endeavour with our eſtates and lives, mutually to preſerve the Rites and Priviledges of the Parliaments, & the Liberties of the Kingdoms, and to defend the Kings Majeſties perſon and authority, in the preſervation and defence of the true Religion, and Liberties of the Kingdoms, that the world may bear witneſſe, with our conſciences of our Loyalty, and that we have no thoughts or intentions to diminiſh His Majeſties juſt power and Greatneſſe.

IV. We ſhall alſo with all faithfulneſſe endeavour the diſcovery of all ſuch as have been, or ſhall be Incendiaries, Malignants, or evil Inſtruments, by hindering the Reformation of Religion, dividing the King from his people, or one of the Kingdoms from another, or making any faction or parties among the people, contrary to this League and Covenant, that they may be brought to publick tryal, and receive condigne puniſhment, as the degree of their offences ſhall require or deſerve, or the ſupreme Judicatories of both Kingdoms reſpectively, or others having power from them for that effect, ſhall judge convenient.

V. And whereas the happineſſe of a bleſſed Peace between theſe Kingdoms, denied in former times to our Progenitors, is by the good providence of God granted unto us, and hath been lately concluded, and ſealed by both the Parliaments, we ſhall each one of us, according to our place and intereſt, endeavour that they may remain conjoyned

joyned in a firm peace and union to all posterity, and that Justice may be done upon the wilful opposers thereof, in manner expressed in the precedent Articles.

VI. We shall also according to our places and callings in this common cause of Religion, Liberty and peace of the Kingdoms, assist & defend all those that enter into this League & Covenant in the maintaining and pursuing thereof, & shall not suffer our selves directly or indirectly by whatsoever Combination, perswasion or terrour, to be divided & withdrawn from this blessed Union and conjunction, whether to make defection to the contrary part, or to give our selves to a detestable indifferency or neutrality in this cause, which so much concerneth the glory of God, the good of the Kingdoms, and the honour of the King; but shall all the daies of our lives, zealously continue therein against all opposition, & promote the same according to our power, against all lets and impediments whatsoever; and what we are not able our selves to suppresse or overcome, we shall reveal and make known, that it may be timely prevented or removed; All which we shall do as in the sight of God.

And becauſe theſe Kingdomes are guilty of many ſins and provocations againſt God, and his Son Jeſus Chriſt, as is too manifeſt by our preſent diſtreſſes and dangers, the fruits thereof, We profeſs and declare before God and the world our unfeigned deſire to be humbled for our own ſins, and for the ſins of theſe Kingdomes, eſpecially that we have not as we ought, valued the inestimable benefit of the Goſpel, that we have not laboured for the purity and power thereof, and that we have not endeavoured to receive Chriſt in our hearts, nor to walke worthy of him in our lives, which are the cauſes of our ſins and tranſgreſſions ſo much abounding among us: and our true and unfeigned purpoſe, deſire, and endeavour for our ſelves, and all others under our power and charge, both in publicke and in private, in all duties we owe to God and Man, to amend our lives, and each one to go before another in the example of a reall Reformation, that the Lord may turn away his wrath and heavy indignation, and eſtabliſh theſe Churches and Kingdomes in truth and peace. And this Covenant we make in the preſence of Almighty God the Searcher of all hearts, with a true intention to perform the ſame, as we ſhall anſwer at the great day, when the ſecrets of all hearts ſhall be diſcloſed: Moſt humbly beſeeching the Lord to ſtrengthen us by his Holy Spirit for this end, and to bleſſe our deſires and proceedings with ſuch ſucceſs, as may be deliverance and ſafety to his people,

and

and encouragement to other Chriſtian Churches groaning under, or in danger of the yoke of Antichriſtianty anny, to joyne in the ſame or like Aſſociation and Covenant, to the glory of God, the enlargement of the Kingdom of Jeſus Chriſt, and the peace and tranquillity of Chriſtian Kingodmes and Common-wealthes.

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Oliver Luke
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Richard Moore
Will. Aſhurſt
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Thomas Fountaine
Will. Elys
Henry Shelley
Rich. Shuttleworth
Henry Ludlow
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Martin Lister
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Henry Lucas
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Phlip Smith
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Will. Spurſtowe
John Lowry
peter Westworth
Henry Chomley
phlip Stapleton
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Roger North
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John Goodwyn
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Iohn Harvey
Edward Dowce
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Zouch Tate
Iohn Curſon
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Squire Bence
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Iohn Glyn
Richard Onſlow
Iohn Coke
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